



# Trinity Bell



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## **A MESSAGE FROM THE SR. WARDEN:**

As the time draws closer to our choosing a new priest to Trinity many thoughts and questions go through my head, just as I'm sure they do yours. Each time I think about it I try to remember the verse in Proverbs where it says, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."

Our search process here at Trinity has been heavily covered with prayer. We pray individually, we pray together every Sunday, our prayer chain and the Daughters of the King are praying, and many in our community are praying for us. The search committee opens and closes their meetings with prayer.

I know there are many of us who are hoping for something special, in a priest, a particular kind of sermon, specific preferences in the service, either a man or a woman, one kind of music or another, a special kind of Christian formation class, or any one of another personal requirements we might have. But there are 170 of us in this church family and only one priest to serve us all.

As we begin to prepare our grounds and buildings to receive a new priest, I hope we will each look inward and prepare ourselves too. There are exciting days ahead but there are also bound to be some changes. We don't know what they will be, but, just as those in your own family have different preferences, so do we and so will our priest. Some changes may be back to more tradition, others may be steps into the future, but

with each change we must remember that there has been much work, concern, love and prayer gone into the discernment of choosing a new priest for Trinity. The priest too will have undertaken a time of prayer and discernment, listening for God's call. Our Bishop and Canon will review the candidate in a prayerful way. And our Mission Board will be prayerful in it's consideration of the final candidate.

With all the time, love and prayer which will have gone into the choice of our new priest, you can be sure that God's hand will be on Trinity.

These are the times that I ask you also to remember,

Trust in the Lord with all your heart  
and lean not on your on understanding."

And please continue to Pray, Pray, Pray!

Alan Pankratz

## **FIRST SUNDAY SERVICE**

**Sunday, April 6**

**One Service at 10:00**

**Parish Hall**

**Refreshments hosted by the Choir and Cursillo**

## **JESUS IN THE PARK**

**Sunday, April 20**

**Service at 8:30am**

**In Heritage Park**

**(Bring your lawn chair)**

**Head of the Church  
Jesus Christ**

**The Rt. Rev. Samuel Johnson  
Howard  
Bishop of Florida**

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**Service Times**

**8:30 am and 11:00 am Sunday  
6:00 pm Wednesday Evening**

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**WITH MUCH APPRECIATION**

The family of Ardyce Wick wishes to thank so much all the people of Trinity who helped in the celebration service for her. All the people who set-up chairs and tables, prepared the food, decorated the church, set-up the television for the Parish Hall, and ushered the guests. THANKS!!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**

- Apr. 3 Ramona Woods
- Apr. 4 Paul Stegall  
Marion Alsobrook
- Apr. 6 Tom Allensworth
- Apr. 7 Alan Pankratz
- Apr. 10 Peggy Renzelman
- Apr. 12 Linda Wilcox
- Apr. 13 Keelin Frazel
- Apr. 14 Marian Paul
- Apr. 16 Jackie Micciche
- Apr. 18 Jean Marshall
- Apr. 24 Russ Eaton
- Apr. 25 Karen Wacha
- Apr. 27 Jean Giesel  
Chrissy Brown  
Laura Cook
- Apr. 30 Ginny White



God, our times are in your hand; look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:**

- Apr. 1 Marian and Tim Paul
- Apr. 17 Margaret and David Kidd



O God, bless our relationships, assist us with your grace, so that with true fidelity and steadfast love we may honor and keep the promises and vows we make to one another. Let us love one another as a sign of your love for us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**CURSILLO NEWS**



This month there will not be an Ultreya in the Santa Fe Region because the ECW weekend retreat is on the first Friday of the month. If you would like to know more about Cursillo, please be sure to go to one of the members of Trinity who have already attended a weekend and ask lots of questions.



### News from the Search Committee

Your Search Committee has been making good progress over the past month. We have made field visits to several candidates, and we are narrowing the field. References have been checked, and now we are getting ready for personal interviews with final candidates. Please continue to pray daily for the Search Committee and for the new priest that God is making ready for Trinity. Make yourself ready also. The time is drawing near.  
Ann Beshore, Chair



### ITALIAN NIGHT DINNER

**FRI. APRIL 18, 2007  
6:30pm**



**Meat and Vegetarian Lasagna  
Salad, Bread and Dessert  
Suggested Donation \$10.00**

**Come and play Italian Bingo with us, and you'll  
have a chance to win one of our terrific prizes!**

**Tickets should be purchased by April 14th.  
No tickets will be sold at the door.**

**Mama Mia!! What a great evening this will be.  
Bring your friends and come and join the fun.**



Easter brought a fun filled weekend for our youth this year. We spent our usual night of Bible study on Wednesday at the church enjoying fellowship, a movie and stuffed eggs for Sunday's hunt. Friday night was our Stations of the Cross service, which went beautifully. Thank you to all those that helped. The group decided we would make a complete weekend about God, so we went to Jacksonville on Saturday to see a Christian band perform. Casting Crowns put on a terrific show! We ate at the famous Landing on the water, and enjoyed a water taxi to the show and back. Sunday was special to our youth to watch the kids hunt for eggs and listen to the music from the show the night before. We also decided that we are going to paint the youth room this year and add our favorite verses to the walls that surround us every week. Its time to make our room feel a little more like home. Graduation is not far off and this year Megan Arenberg and Megan Gregory will be celebrating the culmination of their high school careers.

The deadline for the  
May Bell is  
April 21

**DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT OUR TRINITY  
WEBSITE AT: [www.trinitymelrosefl.org](http://www.trinitymelrosefl.org)**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Trinity Episcopal Church**  
**Summary Income Statement for the Period Ended February 29, 2008**



	For the Month		Year-to-Date	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>Income</b>	\$ 11,679	\$ 12,079	\$ 21,818	\$ 24,158
<b>Expense</b>	<u>\$ 8,012</u>	<u>\$ 14,785</u>	<u>\$ 17,431</u>	<u>\$ 29,569</u>
<b>Income less Expense</b>	\$ 3,667	\$ (2,706)	\$ 4,387	\$ (5,411)
<b>Adjust- ment:</b>				
Less budgeted but unspent Priest wages & benefits	\$ _____ -	<u>\$ 6,219</u>	\$ _____ -	<u>\$ 12,438</u>
<b>Adjusted</b>				
<b>Income less Expense</b>	<u>\$ 3,667</u>	<u>\$ 3,513</u>	<u>\$ 4,387</u>	<u>\$ 7,027</u>

**VBS:**

Get ready for another learning experience with Group's POWER LAB... Trinity's VBS volunteers are praying and gathering the information now to be ready for a full week of exciting games, crafts, snacks and songs that center around a theme teaching us more about our Lord Jesus!

Materials have already been ordered for 50 kids - this will be our best outreach production yet!

More details soon. (dates - late July - to be announced)

**VBS VOLUNTEERS!**

Materials have been ordered for "Power Lab", and it's time to select a week... Please check your personal calendar and advise Clay or Vi if any of these possible weeks would not work for you!

July 7-11, reunion party on the 13th,

July 14-18, reunion party on the 20th,

July 21-25, reunion party on the 27th,

July 28-Aug 1, reunion party Aug 3.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

The elementary-age kids are continuing to follow along the weekly gospel messages in terms they understand, using materials provided free on the Episcopal web-site. Recently we've begun learning some new songs with guidance from Margaret Rice, and expect soon to have Morgan begin playing the piano for our rehearsals!

**SAFEGUARDING GOD'S CHILDREN**







"Safeguarding Our Children" is a REQUIRED course for adults that work with kids in the church... and is required of all Mission Board and Staff. Please let one of our Deacons know if you're interested in signing up for the next available class. More trained volunteers make the various jobs so much more enjoyable.

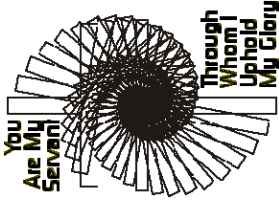
THANK-YOU to all for the tremendous support and enthusiasm we've experienced. Please keep praying for our continued growth as we try to reach local kids and spread the Word.



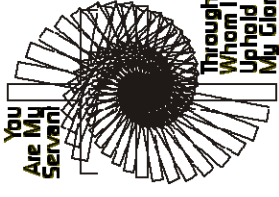
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 DON'T FORGET TO BUY YOUR TICKETS FOR THE ITALIAN NIGHT DINNER FRIDAY, APRIL 18th AT 6:30pm	 5:30 Worship Cmte. 7:00 pm Scouts	 10:00am ECW Access 10am-2pm	2 6:00pm Service	3 10 - 4 Thrift Shop 7:00 pm AA ~ Wicker	4 10 - 4 Thrift Shop 7:00 pm AA ~ Wicker	5 Thrift Shop 9am-12
6 Holy Eucharist 10:00am Parish Hall Refreshments	7 7:00 pm Scouts 2:00 Outreach Cmte.	8 Access 10am-2pm	9 6:00pm Service 7:00pm Mission Board	10 10 - 4 Thrift Shop 7:00 pm AA ~ Wicker	11 10 - 4 Thrift Shop 7:00 pm AA ~ Wicker	12 Thrift Shop 9am-12
13 8:30 & 11:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 Coffee Fellowship Committee 9:45 Spiritual Dev	14 7:00 pm Scouts 2:00 Outreach Cmte.	15 Access 10am-2pm	16 6:00pm Service	17 10 - 4 Thrift Shop 7:00 pm AA ~ Wicker	18  ITALIAN DINNER 6:30 : : : : :	19 Thrift Shop 9am-12 11:00 am DOK 
20 8:30 Jesus in the Park 11:00 Holy Eucharist 9:15 Coffee 9:45 Spiritual Dev	21 7:00 pm Scouts	22 Access 10am-2pm	23 6:00pm Service	24 10 - 4 Thrift Shop 7:00 pm AA ~ Wicker	25 10 - 4 Thrift Shop 7:00 pm AA ~ Wicker	26 8:30am Men's Club Thrift Shop 9am-12
27 8:30 & 11:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 Coffee 9:45 Spiritual Dev	28 7:00 pm Scouts 6:30 pm DOK 	29 Access 10am-2pm	30 6:00pm Service	<b>JESUS IN THE PARK</b> Jesus in the Park will start again this month on Sunday, April 20th.		



## SERVER'S SCHEDULE ~ APRIL 2008



Date	8:30				11:00			
	Chalice Bearer	Reader	Usher	Greeter	Chalice Bearer	Reader	Usher	Greeter
6-Apr-08	One Service 10AM		Dan Wilcox	Kathi Warren	Jerry Thomas	Paul Stegall	Paul Stegall	Debbie Brown
13-Apr-08	Suki Hoffman Paul Stegall	Clay O'Neal	Eric Beshore	Ann Beshore	Suki Hoffman Paul Stegall	Suki Hoffman	Ed O'Bryan	Yvonne O'Bryan
20-Apr-08	Kristi Gregory Craig Lee	Jeanne Eaton	Jeanne Eaton	Donna Eichelsderfer	Kristi Gregory Craig Lee	Jean Giesel	Ken Blair	Marilyn Blair
27-Apr-08	Pat Poppell	Alan Pankratz	Clay O'Neal	Kelly O'Neal	Pat Poppell	Kristi Gregory	Kristi Gregory	Virginia Smith
4-May-08	One Service 10AM		Jim White	Ginny White	Jerry Thomas	Marilyn Blair	Rondey Paul	Kathi Warren

Thank you for placing yourself in the service of Our Lord and His Church. If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, please arrange for your replacement and notify the office.



Dear Trinity Melrose,

This month I will be discussing the early history of church music in England. Carols, translations of Latin hymns, and translations of German chorales were three sources of English music up through the 1500s. With the Reformation came the use of metrical psalmody as discussed in my last article. The English also added hymns to their psalters, something other countries did not do. Recall that the English Reformation occurred during the reign of King Henry VIII in the early 16<sup>th</sup> century.

Several poets emerged in the 17<sup>th</sup> century that wrote hymn texts, which most likely were not intended for singing during church services. One of these authors was George Herbert (1593-1633). He wrote "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing" (1982 Hymnal, #402). Also written during the 16<sup>th</sup> century was "Jerusalem, My Happy Home" (#620) by an unknown author with the initials F.B.P. Many hymnals were compiled during the 17<sup>th</sup> century as well. Included in these were hymns such as "My Song Is Love Unknown" (#458). This text was written by Samuel Crossman (1624-1683), and the tune was written by John Ireland (1879-1962).

Although much literature was written during the early 17<sup>th</sup> century with texts not taken directly from scripture, this sort of hymn was not used for service singing until the second half of the century or even later. In the Anglican Church, London music publisher John Playford (1623-1686) and his son Henry tried to add hymns to congregational singing. They published hymnals and instructional books, but were not very successful in their attempts. In the Presbyterian Church (a Calvinist church), many ministers wrote freely-composed hymns, but psalm singing was still the predominant form of music during services. The Baptists rarely used congregational singing at all. The exceptions to this were the Calvinistic (Particular) Baptists and the Seventh-Day Baptists, who sang hymns such as "He Who Would Be Valiant" (#564) by John Bunyan (1628-1688).

That brings us to the end of the 17<sup>th</sup> century. Next month I will discuss English church music during the 18<sup>th</sup> century.

Thank you for you time!

Melanie Yeager



The Daughters of the King will meet on Saturday, April 19th, in the Parish Hall to make rosaries for men and women in the military and prayer blankets for those who are ill or homebound. If you know someone who would benefit from either one of these gifts, please contact Donna Eichelsderfer or any member of the DOK.



This month's ECW meeting will be held on Tue. April 1st. Dean Wolfson from Santa Fe Community College, Watson Center will be our guest speaker and the election of officers will be held during the business meeting.

### Out of the Mouths of Babes!

#### HIGHER POWER

A Sunday school teacher said to her children, " We have been learning how powerful kings and queens were in Bible times. But, there is a higher power. Can anybody tell me what it is?" One child blurted out, "Aces!"

#### LOT'S WIFE

The Sunday School teacher was describing how Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt, when little Jason interrupted, "My Mummy looked back once, while she was driving," he announced triumphantly, "and she turned into a telephone pole!"

#### DID NOAH FISH?

A Sunday school teacher asked, "Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the Ark ?" "No," replied David. "How could he, with just two worms?"

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**APRIL**

**SPECIAL EVENTS IN APRIL**

- Apr. 6 First Sunday Service**
- Apr. 7 ECW  
Worship Committee**
- Apr. 13 Fellowship Committee**
- Apr. 18 Italian Dinner**
- Apr. 19 DOK**
- Apr. 20 Jesus in the Park**
- Apr. 26 Men's Club**

**REGULAR EVENTS**

**Sunday : 8:30 & 11:00 am Holy Eucharist**  
9:15 am Coffee  
9:45 - 10:45am Children's Sunday School  
Adult Spiritual Development

**Youth Group**

After 11:00 Service on Sunday  
Wed. Evening Bible Study Parish Hall

**1st Sunday of the Month**

One Service only at 10:00am  
In the Parish Hall

**3rd Sunday of the Month**

**8:30 Jesus in the Park**  
**In Heritage Park**

**Wednesday: Evening Service 6:00 pm**

**Thrift Shop**

Open 10 am to 4 pm Thursday  
9 am—noon Saturday

**Access Program**

Tuesdays 10am—2pm